

**ABSTRACT**

A system and methods combine images from various devices in a printing system and display an overall system image on the control panel of a printing device. Events in a printing system are associated with particular event codes.

5 For example, an error event such as a paper jam in a printing device or other device coupled to the printing device is associated with a particular error code.

When an event occurs, a printing device receives an associated event code.

Based on the event code, the printing device merges images from one or more external devices with an image of itself. The merged image makes up an overall

10 printing system image that is displayed on a control panel of the printing device.

The system image provides information to a user about the nature and location of the event.